



CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII

No. 20-303, CD1

RESOLUTION

RELATING TO THE REDESIGNATION OF THE URBAN HONOLULU AND LEEWARD OAHU ENTERPRISE ZONES.

WHEREAS, the Enterprise Zone Program:

1. Is an economic development tool that can stimulate growth throughout the City and County of Honolulu;
2. Pursuant to Chapter 209E, Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS"), as amended, authorizes each county, subject to the Governor's approval, to designate up to six enterprise zones within the county's boundaries; and
3. Requires an enterprise zone to be located within one United States census tract, or two or more contiguous census tracts, the populations of which meet a specified low-income criterion or a high unemployment criterion; and

WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu ("City") has enabled the establishment of enterprise zones on Oahu through the enactment of Chapter 31, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990, as amended; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to HRS Section 209E-4, Council Resolution 95-292 and subsequent Council resolutions, and subsequent concurrences by the Mayor and approvals by the Governor, six enterprise zones to date have been designated and approved for the City; and

WHEREAS, under HRS Section 209E-4(b), as amended, the designation of an enterprise zone expires 20 years after the Governor's designation; and

WHEREAS, two of the six enterprise zones in the City are the Urban Honolulu and the Leeward Oahu Enterprise Zones, both of which are scheduled to expire in accordance with HRS Section 209E-4(b) on March 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the histories of these two enterprise zones are as follows:

- Urban Honolulu Enterprise Zone: (a) established by Governor's approval in 2001 from the former Honolulu International Airport area through lower Kalihi, Iwilei, and downtown into the Ala Moana area; (b) expanded in September 2004 to include all of Kakaako; and



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- Leeward Oahu Enterprise Zone: established by Governor's approval on April 1, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that the Urban Honolulu Enterprise Zone and the Leeward Oahu Enterprise Zone have proven to be valuable economic development tools over the previous 19 years as reflected in the 73 businesses and firms that were enrolled in and 104 businesses and firms that graduated from the Enterprise Zone Program on Oahu as of August 2020, including many businesses and firms located in these two enterprise zones; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to redesignate these two zones, the Urban Honolulu and Leeward Oahu Enterprise Zones with modifications, each for an additional 20-year term; and

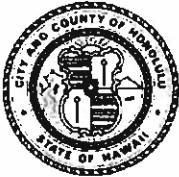
WHEREAS, the Council also desires to combine the Leeward Oahu and the Ewa/Central Oahu Enterprise Zones into a single enterprise zone to allow for flexibility in the future to designate an additional sixth enterprise zone, as needed; and

WHEREAS, the following attached exhibits provide information about the proposed reconfigured enterprise zones:

Exhibit A – Map that shows tracts within the Urban Honolulu Enterprise Zone that are current, newly proposed, and ineligible for renewal due to not meeting either the specified low-income criterion or contiguity requirement; and

Exhibit B – Map that shows tracts within the proposed combined Leeward Oahu and Central/Ewa Oahu Enterprise Zone that are current, newly proposed, and ineligible for renewal due to not meeting either the specified low-income criterion or contiguity requirement; and

WHEREAS, both of the proposed enterprise zones, as shown on Exhibits C and D attached hereto, satisfy the eligibility requirements for areas to be nominated for enterprise zone status; and



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WHEREAS, the following attached exhibits provide further information about the proposed reconfigured enterprise zones:

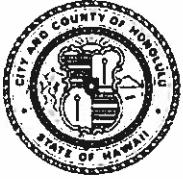
- Exhibit E – Map that shows tracts within the proposed Urban Honolulu Enterprise Zone boundaries relative to the State land use district classifications;
- Exhibit F – Map that shows publicly held lands within the proposed Urban Honolulu Enterprise Zone boundaries;
- Exhibit G – Map that shows tracts within the proposed combined Leeward Oahu and Central/Ewa Oahu Enterprise Zone boundaries relative to the State land use district classifications;
- Exhibit H – Map that shows publicly held lands within the proposed combined Leeward Oahu and Central/Ewa Oahu Enterprise Zone boundaries; and
- Exhibit I – Map that shows the proposed Urban Honolulu and Leeward Oahu Enterprise Zone boundaries relative to the City's development plan designations; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the following areas be designated as enterprise zones in the City and County of Honolulu according to the following attached exhibits that include maps and corresponding descriptions of each proposed zone's boundaries:

- Exhibit C – Urban Honolulu Enterprise Zone, on the date of the Governor's approval; and
- Exhibit D – Leeward Oahu Enterprise Zone, on the date of the Governor's approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following incentives be provided to businesses and firms enrolled in the designated Urban Honolulu and Leeward Oahu Enterprise Zones:

- (1) A two-year exemption from any increase in property taxes resulting from new construction by enterprise zone businesses and firms at their enterprise zone sites; and



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- (2) A waiver of fees for building and grading permits required for new construction for enrolled enterprise zone businesses and firms for a period of seven years; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council requests the Mayor to concur with the designations of the Urban Honolulu and Leeward Oahu Enterprise Zones, and on behalf of the Council, prepare and submit the necessary application materials to the Governor for approval of the designations; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor and to the Director of Community Services.

INTRODUCED BY:

Ann Kobayashi (br)

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

November 9, 2020
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

EXHIBIT A

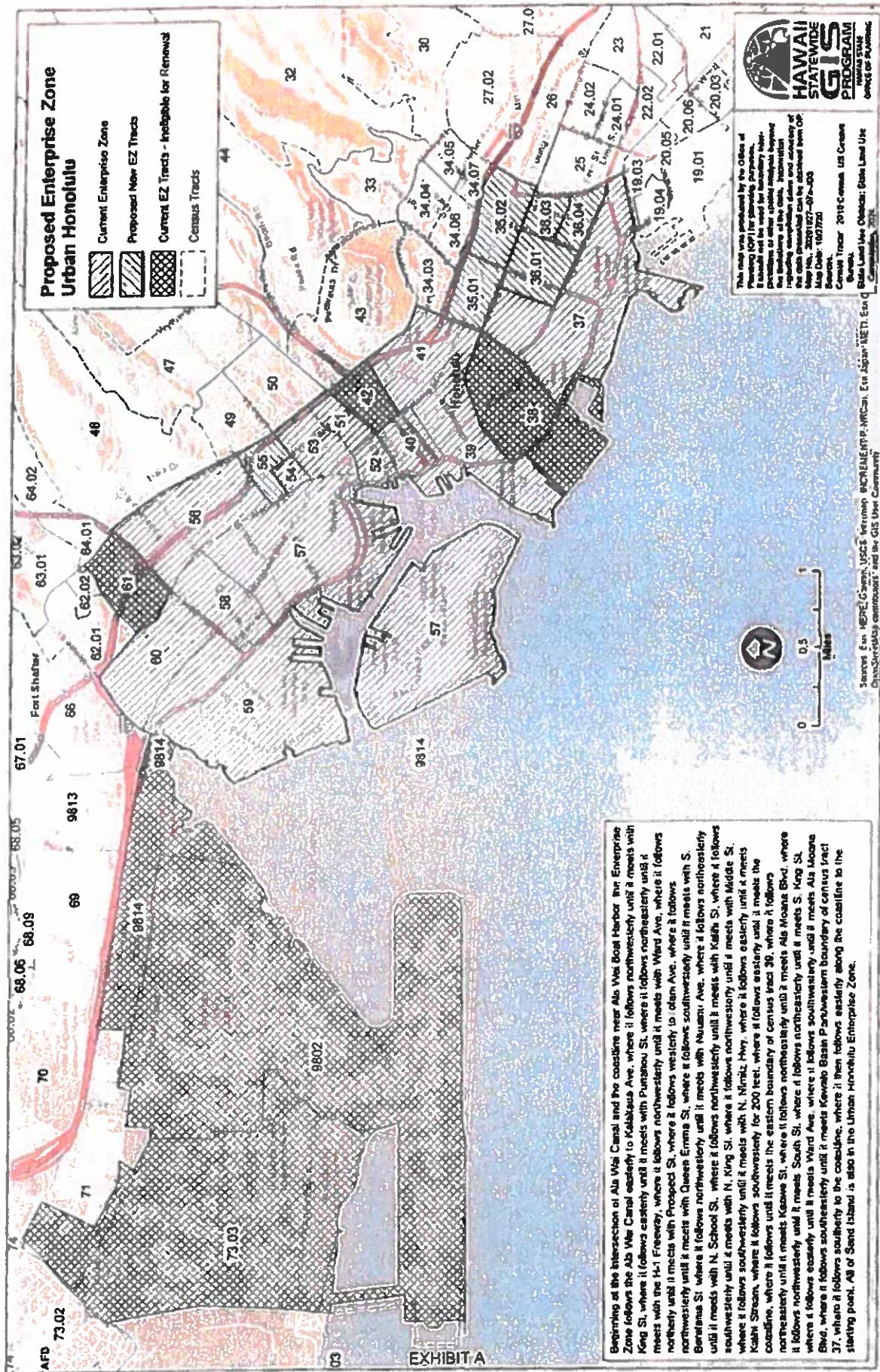
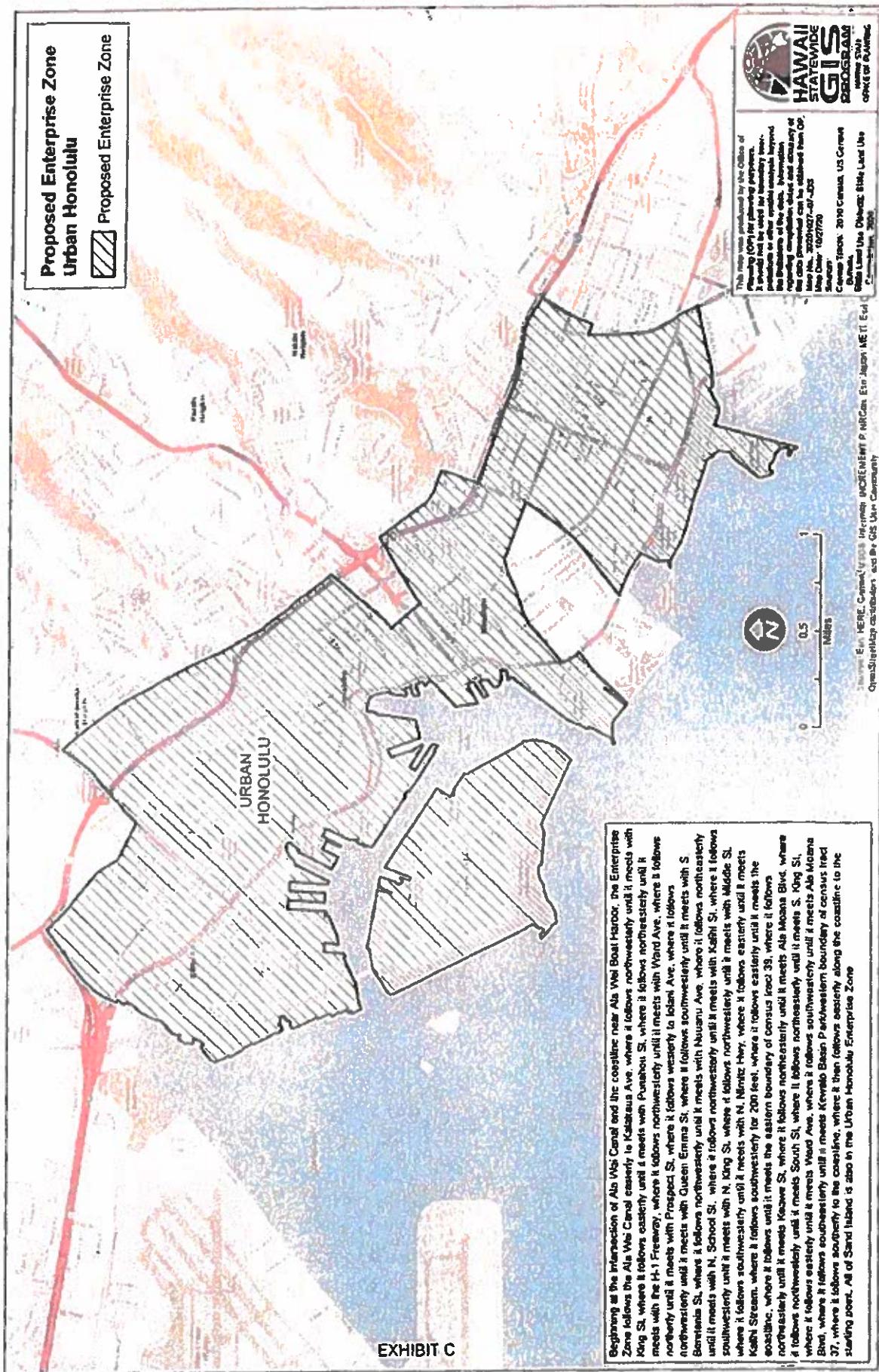


EXHIBIT C



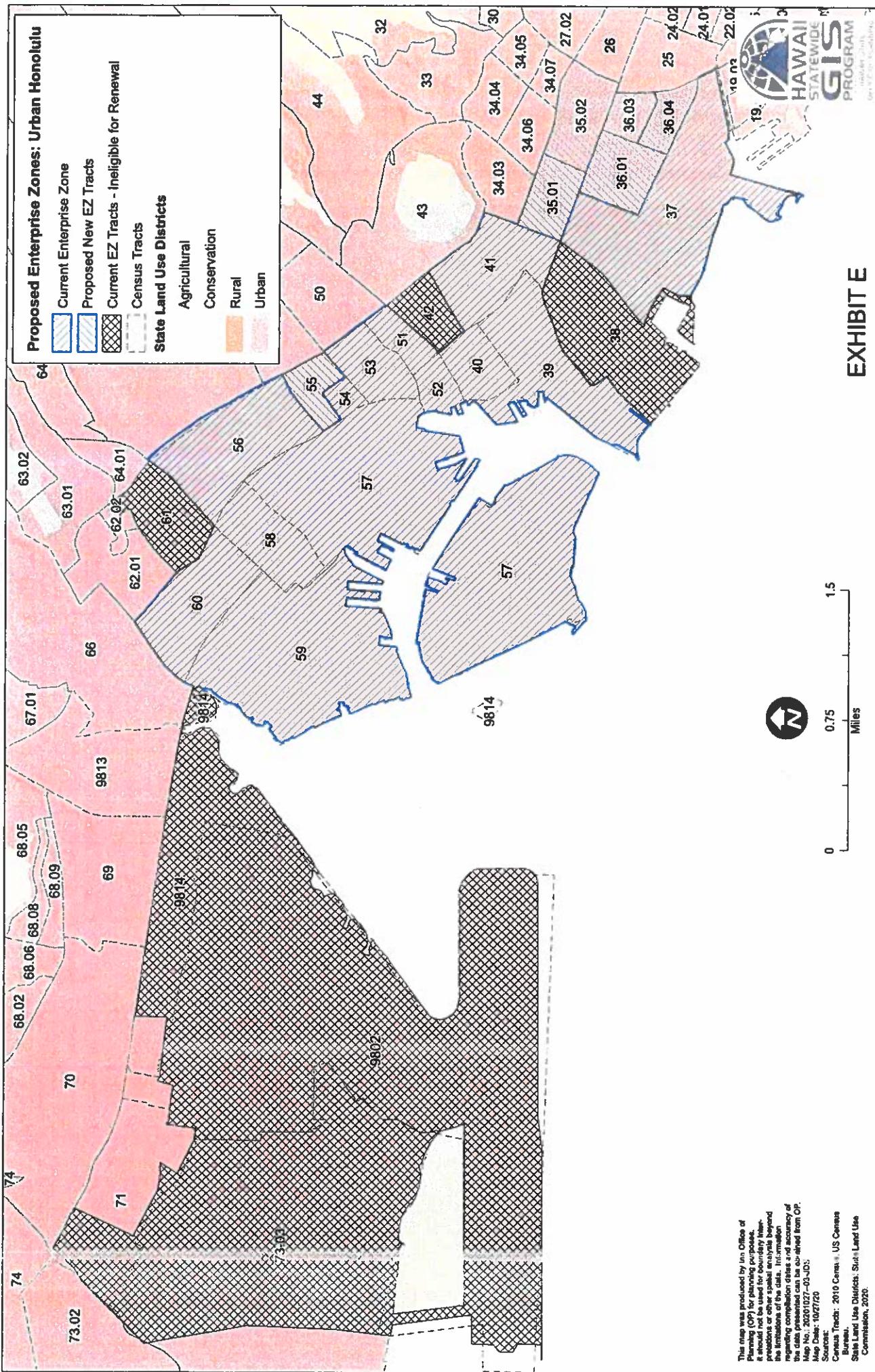


EXHIBIT E

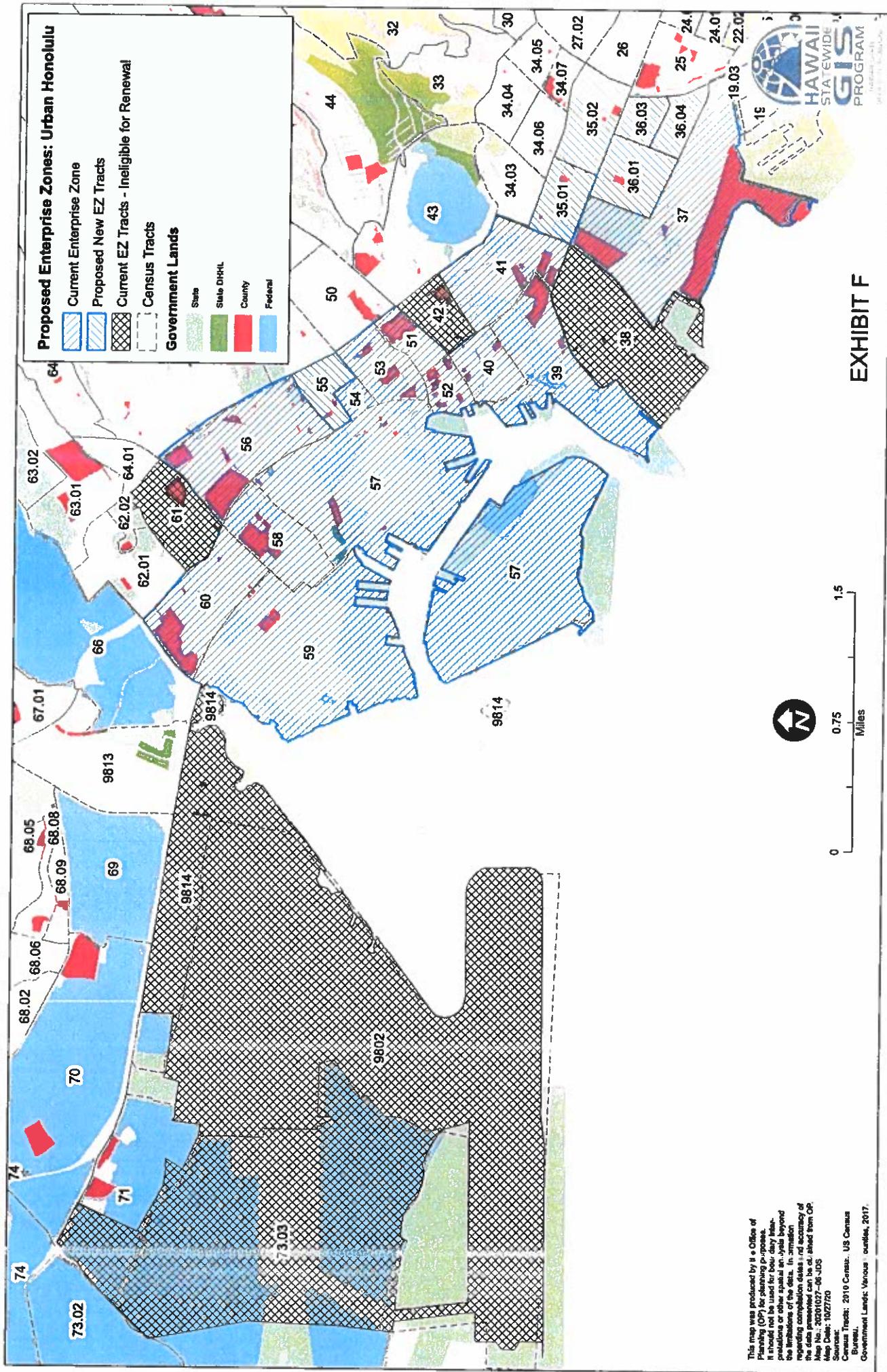


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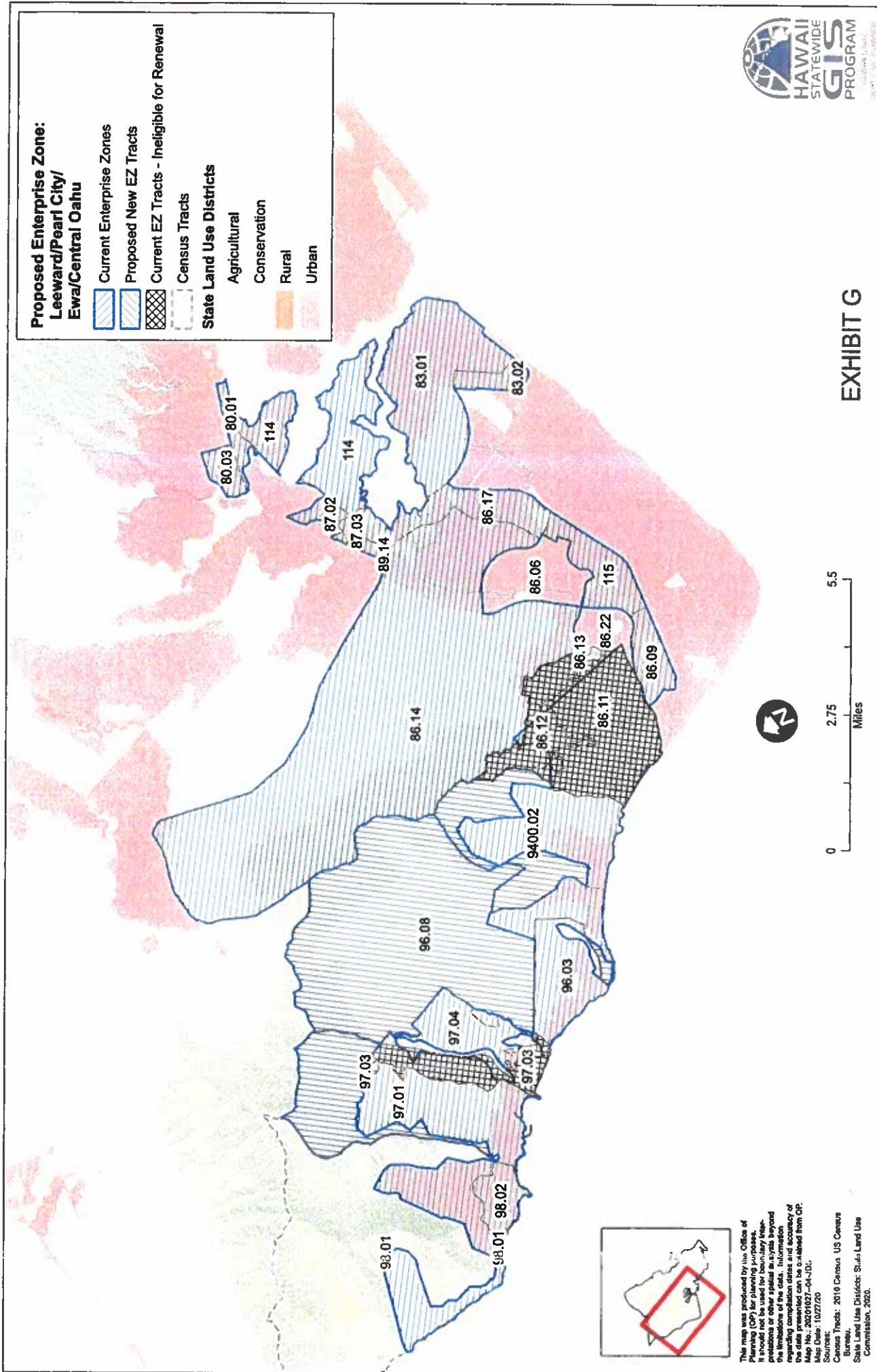
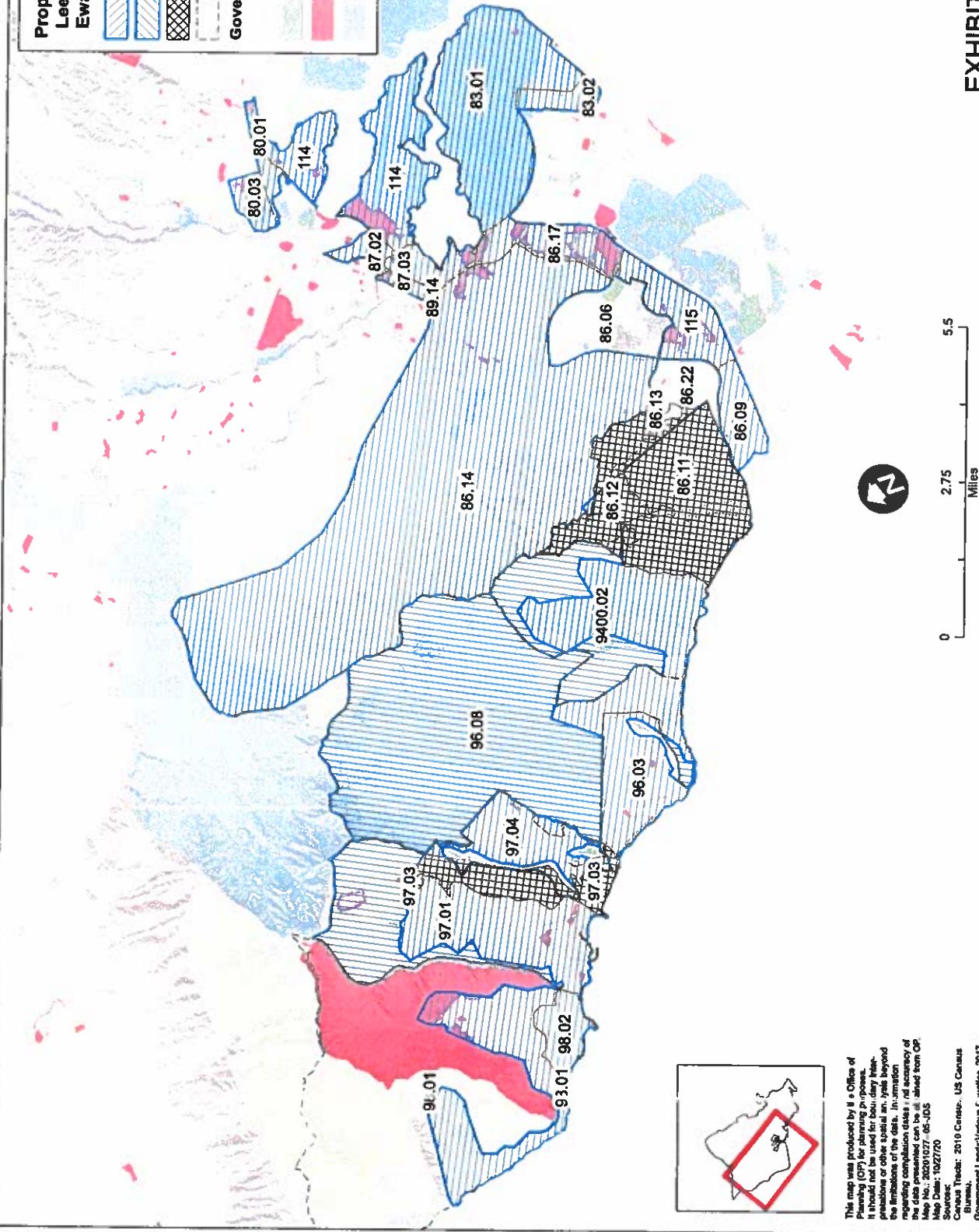
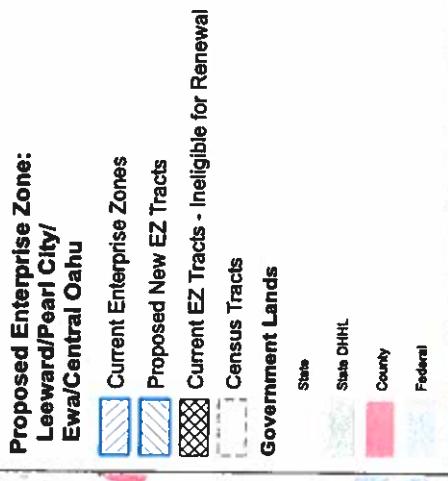




EXHIBIT H



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Date: 10/27/20
Source: Census Tracts: 2010 Census; US Census Bureau;
Government Lands: Various Counties, 2017.

Proposed Enterprise Zones City and County of Honolulu

Proposed Enterprise Zones
Existing Enterprise Zones

Development Plan

CENTRAL OAHU

EAST HONOLULU

EWAA

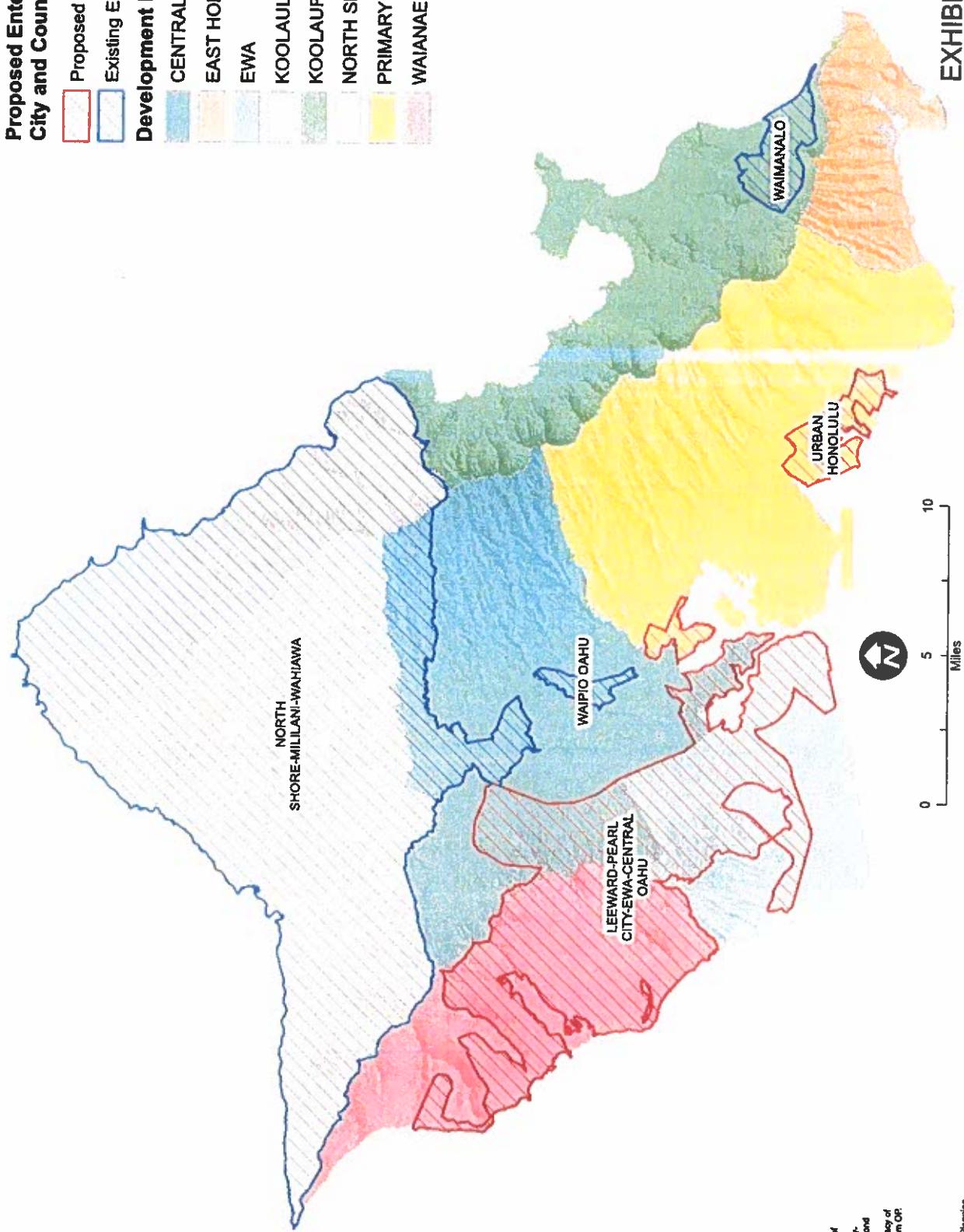
KOOLAUA

KOOLAUPOKO

NORTH SHORE OAHU

PRIMARY URBAN CENTER

WAIANAE



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Map No.: 20210111-01-DS
Map Date: 1/19/21
Sources:
Development Plan, Office of Planning,
Enterprise Zones
City and County of Honolulu, Office of Planning



EXHIBIT I

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CERTIFICATE

RESOLUTION 20-303, CD1

Introduced: 11/09/20 By: ANN KOBAYASHI - BY REQUEST Committee: BUDGET

Title: RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE REDESIGNATION OF THE URBAN HONOLULU AND LEEWARD OAHU ENTERPRISE ZONES.

Voting Legend: * = Aye w/Reservations

CC-368 MENOR - REFERRAL APPEAL FORM FOR RESOLUTION 20-303 FROM ZONING, PLANNING AND HOUSING TO COUNCIL FLOOR.

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| 12/09/20 | COUNCIL | REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON BUDGET. 9 AYES: ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KOBAYASHI, MANAHAN, MENOR, PINE, TEXEIRA, TSUNEYOSHI, WATERS. |
| | | NOTE: COUNCILMEMBERS CORDERO, KIA'AINA, SAY, TULBA, AND TUPOLA TOOK OFFICE ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 2021. <u>CC-3(21) WATERS – STANDING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS.</u> <u>CC-4(21) WATERS - RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS, RESOLUTIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.</u> |
| 01/13/21 | BUDGET | REPORTED OUT FOR ADOPTION AS AMENDED IN CD1 FORM. CR-2(21) 6 AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, KIA'AINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI, TUPOLA. |
| 01/27/21 | COUNCIL | COMMITTEE REPORT AND RESOLUTION AS AMENDED WERE ADOPTED. 9 AYES: CORDERO, ELEFANTE, FUKUNAGA, KIA'AINA, SAY, TSUNEYOSHI, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS. |

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.


GLEN I. TAKAHASHI, CITY CLERK


TOMMY WATERS, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER